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To the RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL, BRIDPORT.

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present my report for year ending December 31st, 1932.

Acreage 30,899.

Population (estimated) 7,008.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The live Births were 79—40 male, and 39 female, giving a rate of 11·2 per mille —against a general rate of 15·3 for England and Wales.

The Deaths were 89—35 male and 54 female, this gives an average of 12·7 per mille, a general rate for England and Wales of 12.

Deaths of Infants under 1 year totalled 4—all legitimate.

There were 3 deaths from Influenza, 3 from Tubercular Disease, and 13 from Cancer.

The Council will notice that the mortality from Tuberculosis continues to fall, whilst the Cancer rate remains high.

INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

| | Total. | Admitted to Hospital. |
|---------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| Scarlet Fever ... | — | — |
| Diphtheria ... | — | — |
| Enteric ... | — | — |
| Puerperal Fever ... | — | — |
| Erysipelas ... | — | — |

One case of Ophthalmia Nemalorum were notified.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Six new cases were notified during the year—5 male and 1 female.

| Age Periods. | NEW CASES. | | | | DEATHS. | | | |
|--------------|------------|----|----------------|----|------------|----|----------------|----|
| | Pulmonary. | | Non-pulmonary. | | Pulmonary. | | Non-pulmonary. | |
| | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. | M. | F. |
| 0 | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | | | 1 | | | | | |
| 15 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| 20 | | 1 | | | | | | |
| 25 | 1 | | | | 1 | | | |
| 35 | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 55 | | | | | | 1 | | |
| 65 | | | | | | | | |
| and upwards | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 2 | 1 | 3 | — | 1 | 1 | — | — |

ISOLATION HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION.

Number of Beds—16. Number of Diseases—all. Alterations and additions during 1932—none. Also two Wards for Paying Patients.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR ISOLATION OF SMALL POX CASES.

Four Beds are available.

NURSING.

District Nurses are available in every part of the Rural District.

VACCINATION.

The District is not well Vaccinated.

WATER SUPPLY.

The question of the water supply at West Bexington has continued to cause a great deal of trouble and anxiety, and although considerable pressure has been brought to bear on the owner, and the matter even being taken to Court, nothing satisfactory has been settled.

There has also been trouble with the supply at Charmouth, but this is being attended to and it is hoped will be quickly remedied.

RIVERS AND STREAMS.

Complaints have been received with regard to the stagnation of water at the mouth of the river at Charmouth which was particularly noxious during the hot weather of last summer.

DRAINAGE, SEWERAGE AND CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

A few small complaints have received attention.

COWSHEDS AND DAIRIES.

All have been inspected, and all suggestions regularly attended to, and there has been a general improvement.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

From W. FYRTH, Veterinary Inspector,
To Medical Officer of Health, Bridport R.D.C.

Sir,

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I herewith beg to present my report of inspection of Meat, Slaughter Houses and Abbatoirs in the area of the Bridport Rural District Council for the year ending December 31st, 1932.

I have made 245 visits during the year to the various slaughterhouses and examined the carcasses and offals of the following :—

Beef 274; Veal 490; Mutton Lamb 486; Pork 490; a total of 1740 carcasses. Of the above I have had occasion to condemn as unfit for food the following carcasses, Beef 4 (for Tuberculosis), Mutton and Lamb 2, Pork 8 (for Tuberculosis), a total of 14 carcasses. I also had occasion to condemn the following offals :—Livers: Beef 3; Mutton and Lamb 51; Pork 11; a total of 65 livers. These were all destroyed, being affected with Fluke (*Distortum Hepaticum*) and were cirrhoses.

The slaughtering has been carried out in a humane manner and the preparation and dressing of the carcasses has been done in a leanly manner. The slaughterhouses are kept clean and ventilated and the general hagiene has been very good.

I am, Sir,

Yours &c.

W. FYRTH, M.R.C.V.S.

ADMINISTRATION OF SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

Fifteen samples were taken during the year, including seven of milk, and four cases of adulteration were found, one being in respect of brandy, the Vendor being cautioned, and three in respect of milk, in two cases the Vendors were cautioned and the other proceeded against and convicted and fined £3.

FACTORIES AND WORKSHOPS.

There are seven buildings in this area which come under the heading of Factories, three being for twine making, two milk and one biscuit making; they have been inspected at intervals.

HOUSING.

Thirty-one new houses were erected during the year—all by private enterprise. The tendency is to still build one floor bungalows of a not very substantial character—I assume that the high rents required for a better structure is the reason.

There is still a marked tendency for properties to be let to elderly people retiring from busier centres and high rating.

Isolation Hospital Accommodation.

Arrangements.

Number of Beds 16. Number of Diseases All. Alterations and additions during 1932 None.

Arrangements for isolation of Small-pox cases, 4 Beds.

Alterations in Isolation Hospital arrangements during period 1926—1932 None—other than general repairs.

Water Supply. (State *places* at which there was any deficiency in quantity or quality during 1932)? Bexington and Charmouth.

State new supplies or works carried out or proposed, Charmouth and Bexington.

New supplies provided, 1926—1932 None.

Pollution of Streams. (State any complaints of or pollutions observed during 1932), Nil.

Pollutions or complaints observed during 1926—1932 Nil.

Drainage & Sewerage and Closet Accommodation. (State where deficient).

Particulars of any new works during 1932. Charmouth Sewers relaid in Lower Higher Sea Lanes.

New Sewerage provided, 1926—1932. Extension Bradpole.

Scavenging. (State where deficient). Nil.

Particulars of any new works or arrangements during 1932.

New scavenging schemes or arrangements, 1926—1932. Collections monthly, at all Villages except Askerswell, Chilcombe, Stanton St. Gabriel, Fishpond, Broadoak, Dottery, these are not in particular need of a scavenger.

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| <i>Sanitary Inspections.</i> | No. of Inspections | ... | ... | 717 | |
| No. of Informal Notices | ... | 16 | No. complied with | ... | 16 |
| No. of Statutory Notices | ... | 4 | No. complied with | ... | 3 |

Cowsheds and Dairies.

No. of Persons on Register at end of 1932 ... 225

No. of Dairy Farms and other dairy premises on Register at end of 1932 ... 194

No. of Dairy Farms inspected during 1932 ... 19

No. of Inspections during 1932 ... 27

No. of Notices served ... 1

No. of Milkshops inspected during 1932 Nil No. of Inspections ... Nil

No. of Notices served ... Nil No. complied with ... Nil

Slaughterhouses etc. No. Registered ... 11 No. Licensed ... 1

No. of new ones licensed during 1932 ... Nil

No. of slaughterhouses inspected during 1932 ... 12

No. of Notices served ... Nil No. complied with ... Nil

Meat Regulations, 1924. No. of Notices of slaughtering received ...

No. of Notices of diseased or unsound carcasses of meat received ...

No. of slaughtering attended by M.O.H. By Inspector ... 245

No. of carcasses or organs of meat found diseased or unsound ... 79

Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925.

Information should be given as to the action taken, under these Regulations, relating to Tuberculosis employees in the milk trade. If no action was taken, a statement to that effect should be made ... Nil

Housing.

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|-------|---|-----|-----|----------------------------|-----|-----|
| (a) | Total number of <i>new</i> houses erected during year (including those under (b)). | | | | | |
| (i) | By the Local Authority | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| (ii) | By other Local Authorities | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| (iii) | By other bodies and persons | ... | ... | .. | ... | 41 |
| (b) | Number erected with state assistance :— | | | | | |
| | By Local Authority | ... | Nil | By other bodies or persons | ... | Nil |

Inspections.

| | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| No. of dwelling houses inspected and recorded... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 14 |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|

Unfit.

| | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| No. unfit for habitation... | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| No. not in all respects <i>reasonably</i> fit for habitation | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 |

Remedied by Informal Action.

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|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|
| No. of houses rendered fit after <i>informal</i> notices | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|---|

Statutory Action (under various Acts).

| | | | | | |
|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| No. of dwelling houses as to which notices were served requiring repairs | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| No. rendered fit Nil. By Owner Nil By Local Authority in default. | | | | | |
| No. representations made with view to Closing Orders | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| No. of houses as to which Closing Orders were made | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| No. determined. Nil. | | | | | |
| No. of houses as to which Demolition Orders were made | ... | ... | ... | ... | Nil |
| No. demolished. Nil. | | | | | |

Number of houses owned by the Local Authority distinguishing those built in the last two years and held under (1) Part III of the Housing Act, 1925. (2) Part II of the Housing Act, 1925, and (3) other powers.

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|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Charmouth 6 | Morcombe 4 | Chideock 16 | Bothenhampton 8 |
| Walditch 4 | Bradpole 10 | Burton 16 | |
| | 64 houses. | | |

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

There was one case of suspected Scarlet Fever admitted during the year otherwise there was nothing of note with the exception of minor cases.

Acknowledging with grateful thanks the unvarying assistance from the Staff and the courtesy of my Board.

I remain,

Your Obedient and Faithful Servant,

Hy. COLMAN, M.O.H.



Rev. Dr. [illegible]

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